

“Come to Me”

Matthew 11:25-30

The Gospel of Matthew

Theme: Only in Jesus can anyone find their rest from sin and death.

Outline:

- I. First, God the Father is Lord of Heaven and Earth (v. 25a).
- II. Second, you and I cannot know God independent of His movement (v. 25b).
- III. Third, unless and until we find ourselves as little children who are weary and heavy laden with the weight of our own sin before God, we cannot know His glorious person and sufficient work.

Why are these three things so difficult to accept?

- First, we think we are Lords of the heavens and the earth.
- Second, we think we can know truth intuitively and the idea of absolute truth is troubling for us.
- Finally, we think we can do whatever is necessary by and for ourselves without the help of others. We do not believe we need any divine intervention. We believe if we are to save ourselves it must be by our own effort.

This brings me to “Christmas.” This Season exists because you and I are incapable and unable to save ourselves from sin and death. This thought chaffs the natural man. But for those who feel and sense and know the depth and darkness of their sin before God, this is truly good news.

God only reveals Himself to those who are like little children. Jesus can only be known by those who are weary and heavy-laden.

Unless and until you confess your own inability, your own brokenness, until you own your shame, you cannot find Jesus to be enough in this life and in the life to come.

Only those who see themselves as weary and heavy-laden can come to Jesus for the rest from sin and death that only He can give.

Today and tonight and every day, the people of WBC celebrate and proclaim that Jesus is both Savior and Lord. Today is a great day and Jesus is the best gift anyone can give and receive. Have you? Will you?

